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HUMAN DERIVED MONOCYTE ATTRACTING PURIFIED PROTEIN PRODUCT USEFUL IN A METHOD OF TREATING INFECTION AND NEOPLASM IN A HUMAN BODY, AND THE CLONING OF FULL

LENGTH cDNA THEREOF

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RESPONSE

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

The following comments are presented in response to the Office Action of February 15, 2000.

Claims 21-25 have been rejected for lack of written description. This rejection is respectfully traversed. The rejection questions whether the present specification provides evidence that the present applicants were "in possession" of the invention of claims 21-25, i.e. material isolated from primate, murine, porcine, equine or bovine sources rather than human sources. Applicants respectfully submit that the present specification is more than adequate to satisfy the written description requirement.

The present specification clearly discusses multiple sources for the present materials. The discussion at page 12 of the specification evidences the recognition by the present